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Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community Announces Evaluation of Intelligence Community Implementation of Security Clearance Reciprocity

(November 2019): The Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community (ICIG) recently announced that it will conduct an evaluation of Intelligence Community (IC) implementation of security clearance reciprocity (INS-2020-001). The evaluation will include the following Intelligence Community elements:

- Central Intelligence Agency
- Defense Intelligence Agency
- Department of State
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
- National Reconnaissance Office
- National Security Agency
- Office of the Director of National Intelligence

Security clearance reciprocity is a key element of security clearance reform. The Director of National Intelligence (DNI), as the Security Executive Agent, is responsible for ensuring reciprocal recognition of eligibility for access to classified information among Executive Branch agencies. The evaluation will focus on the IC's implementation of Security Executive Agent Directive (SEAD) 7, *Reciprocity of Background Investigations and National Security Adjudications*, issued by the DNI on November 9, 2018. SEAD 7 reinforced previous reciprocity guidance by the Office of Management and Budget and the DNI to support employee movement across the Federal Government. The scope of the evaluation will be on Top Secret/Sensitive Compartmented Information security clearance reciprocity for U.S. government personnel.

The Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 established the Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community within the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. The ICIG's mission is to provide independent and objective oversight of the programs and activities within the responsibility and authority of the Director of National Intelligence, to initiate and conduct independent audits, inspections, investigations, and reviews, and to lead and coordinate the efforts of the Intelligence Community Inspectors General Forum. The ICIG's goal is to have a positive and enduring impact throughout the Intelligence Community, to lead and coordinate the efforts of an integrated Intelligence Community Inspectors General Forum, and to enhance the ability of the United States Intelligence Community to meet national security needs while respecting our nation's laws and reflecting its values. The Forum consists of the twelve statutory and administrative Inspectors General having oversight responsibility for an element of the Intelligence Community. The Chair of the Forum is the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community.

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